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Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Request for Extended Calling Area From Bluffton/Sun City Hilton Head

Area to Hilton Head Island Docket No. 2005-204-C

Petition of Bluffton Telephone Company and Hargray Telephone Company

to Implement Extended Area Service (EAS)

Docket No. 2006-99-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

I am writing on behalf of Bluffton Telephone Company ("Bluffton") and Hargray Telephone Company ("Hargray") to withdraw their opposition to the Petition to Intervene of the South Carolina Cable Television Association ("SCCTA") in the above-referenced matters. The Commission has scheduled an oral argument to address the SCCTA's Petition to Intervene on September 19, 2006.

We continue to believe that the issue set forth by SCCTA in its Petition to Intervene is a generic one that will impact other companies and is better addressed in Docket No. 1997-239-C (Intrastate Universal Service Fund). However, Bluffton and Hargray are anxious to move forward with their EAS Petition, which they believe will meet the needs and desires of their respective customers. In order to help move the process forward, we hereby withdraw our opposition to the SCCTA's Petition, without prejudice to the objections raised and positions taken by Bluffton and Hargray. We believe it will be more efficient for the Commission to consider the SCCTA's issue, along with Bluffton's and Hargray's arguments as to the appropriate docket in which to address the SCCTA's issue, during the hearing on the merits of this matter.

We are hopeful that the withdrawal of Bluffton's and Hargray's opposition to the SCCTA Petition to Intervene will help to expedite the scheduling of a hearing on the merits of the EAS Petition, so that the benefits of the proposed plan may be brought to Bluffton's and Hargray's customers in an expeditious manner.

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Please clock in a copy of this letter and return it with our courier.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Margaret M. Fox

Parties of Record cc:

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Rebecca W. Martin, Secretary for McNair Law Firm, P. A., do hereby certify that I have this date served one (1) copy of a letter on behalf of the South Carolina Cable Television Association withdrawing opposition to the Petition to Intervene regarding the above—referenced matters on the following parties of record by causing said copies to be deposited with the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below.

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